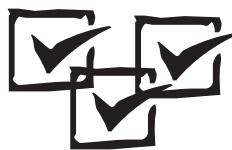


# Director's Letter

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Dear Voters and Friends:

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 has brought much change in voting and elections administration to New Jersey. With so many recent major elections, the State of New Jersey in collaboration with the membership of the New Jersey Association of Elections Officials; the Constitutional Officers Association of New Jersey - County Clerk/Register Section; and the Municipal Clerks' Association of New Jersey have implemented many measures to improve the electoral process for voters.

In addition, our elections officials are working hard to educate voters regarding the electoral process and they are committed to making voting in New Jersey accessible to all citizens. To this end, New Jersey offers the 2006 Chronological Elections Guide to provide a clear and comprehensive source of information concerning elections for each level of public elected office.

The enhanced guide is a product of a cooperative effort between the New Jersey Division of Elections, the Department of Law and Public Safety - Election Law Section and a diverse group of election officials and voting advocates throughout the state, who are striving to ensure that voting concerns are addressed and the public is well informed.

I believe, collectively, that we have produced one of the most practical elections guide for the State of New Jersey. I hope you find this Guide informative and helpful.

The right to vote is an important civil right, as well as, a civic responsibility. For further information about voting and elections, please visit our website at [www.njelections.org](http://www.njelections.org).

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